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Plans Abandoned For 'Alumni' Day By Board Action

The Board of Directors of the Potomac State College Alumni Association, Inc., at their March meeting, regretfully decided to abandon plans for an Alumni Day on campus this spring. The reason given was that no acceptable date could be found during the crowded May calendar of campus activities.

The Board agreed that a spring Alumni Day is desirable and is keeping the matter under active consideration for the coming year.

Homecoming Is Set for Oct. 26

October 26! Yes, turn over four months on the calendar and mark Saturday, October 26 in RED! This is the date for Homecoming '63 on the Potomac State Campus.

Aside from the usual parade, football game, and Homecoming Ball, we are once again planning a Fiftieth Anniversary celebration for the Class of 1913. Recognition will be given the Class at the Homecoming Luncheon tentatively set for noon that day.

Any of you who are interested in having a reunion of your class from PSC should get in touch with Mrs. Robert T. Coffman, Director of Alumni Affairs, Administration Building, Potomac State College, Keyser, West Virginia. She will be glad to supply you with names and addresses of your classmates (at least those we have; we're still working on those files!)

Foundation Fund Continues Growth

The Allumni Office reports that since the February kick-off of this year's Foundation drive, approximately \$900.00 has been received from alumni across the country. As of publication time, the Foundation totaled \$1,908.00. The 1962-63 campaign closes on June 30, 1963. Have you mailed yours?





Funeral services for Kirkland S. McKee, Dean of Potomac State College for the past 27 years, were conducted Thursday, May 23, at 1:30 p. m. in the First Presbyterian Church, Keyser, with Rev. John D. MacLeod, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Janes Memorial Cemetery near Fairmont.

Dean McKee died on May 20 in the West Virginia University Medical Center, Morgantown, where he underwent surgery on April 23 after being admitted on April 11.

He was born in Shepherdstown, where he was graduated from Shepherd College. He later received an A.B. degree from Davis and Elkins College in Elkins and an M.A. from WVU.

During his 46 years in the field of education, Dean McKee held positions as instructor, school principal, junior high school principal, elementary and high school supervisor, as well as college instructor and dean.

Prior to coming to Potomac State in 1936, simultaneously with Dr. E. E. Church, president, he was director of high schools in Randolph County and principal of Elkins High School.

He was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, national fraternity, was a Mason, had been affiliated with the Rotary Club, is a past president of the Elkins Lions Club, had been an elder or deacon for many years in the Presbyterian Church, and had been active in Boy Scout work of the Potomac Council. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Potomac State College Alumni Foundation.

Dean McKee was a veteran of World WarII and served as executive officer and director of training at the Air Technical Service Command Training School, Warner Robins, Ga., from 1942-45, being discharged as a major and awarded the Legion of Merit.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Beatrice Hall; four brothers, and two sisters.

Dormitory Named Friend Hall For Former President

Friend Hall is the name officially approved by the Board of Governors of West Virginia University for the Potomac State College's new dormittery for women now under construction and scheduled for opening in September.

The name was selected in honor of Lloyd Lowndes Friend, who served (1902-1905) as the first principal of the Keyser Preparatory Branch of West Virginia University, which is today Potomac State College.

Many Alumni Aid With Phonorama In Keyser Area

A phonorama or telephone campaign was conducted in the Keyser and Tri-Towns area on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, April 29, 30, and May 1. Purpose of the phone contacts was to give area alumni an opportunity to share in building up the Potomac State College Alumni Foundation, Inc.

Mrs. Carl Avers, '31, 121 Orchard Street, Keyser, served as general chairman and coordinator for the three-day drive.

At a meeting of representative alumni held on Sunday, April 21, in the Science Hall Assembly Room, President E. E. Church outlined the importance of annual giving to onle's alma mater and gave some background on the Foundation. Thomas J. Conlon, '48, president of the alumni association, then explained the proposed project to those assembled and after receiving their approval, aided Mrs. Robert T. Coffman, Director of Alumni Afairs in passing out lists of persons to be called and the report forms on which to tally results.

Those attending the meeting were: Ann Pamer, '33, Betty Hanlin, '42, Kenneth Haines, '50, Dawn Jeffries, '44, Dr. E. E. Church, Sara Avers, '31, Thomas J. Conlon, '48, Mary Evelyn Coffman, '36, Joseph W. Kessel, '48, Harold Effland, '48, Thelma Klinestiver, '28, Selby Jacobs, '29, Helen S. McClung, '12, Rubye Staggs, '41, Shirley Maybury, '55, Shirley Rinard, '55, James Rinard, '56, Betty Withrow, '52, Sue Gleeson, '44, Betty Hofbauer, '44, and Sally Romig, '40.

Others assisting are: Naomi Dellinger and Clara Kauffman, '41, Patricia Wagoner, '57, Sally G. Wilson, '48, Mabel Thompson, '37, Beverly Strickler, '62, Sharon W. Summers, '60, Harriet Miers, '34, Patricia Hovis, '52, James Taylor, '42, and Larry Patterson, '41.

Our deadline for the NEWSLET-TER prevents us from reporting the results in this issue ,but details will be published in the August issue.

Alumni Notes

'12—PAUL J. DAVIS, Keyser, was given special recognition among Past Post Commanders presented during a recent celebration of the 44th birthday of the National American Legion. The Boyce-Houser Post 41 honored him as the 1st Post Commander in 1919.

'16—E. CARL SHREVE, former head of the Engineering Department of Potomac State College and now professor of Civil Engineering at the University of Tennessee, was recently elected vice-president of the Tennessee Valley Engineering Association.

'28—Dr. E. WILLIAM NOLAND, professor of sociology, lecturer, and research professor of the University of North Carolina, will become head of the Department of Sociology and Professor of Behavioral Science, Krannert Graduate School of Industrial Research, Purdue University, July 1.

'32—WILLIAM E. COFFMAN, Princeton, N. J., was in Puerto Rico from April 15 to April 25 acting as a consultant to an Inter - American Committee of scholars appointed by the College Entrance Examination Board to devélop a Scholastic Aptitude Test in Spanish. Dr. Coffman (Ed. D. Columbia '49) is Director of Research and Development in the College Board Programs Division of Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey.

23—MILTON GERSON, Cumberland, Md., is the new president of the Allegany Co. Bar Associatoin.

'39—Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. WILLI-AM LOY (SALLIE SIEVER) and daughter have moved to Jacksonville, Fla., where he has been transferred.

'40—HARTSEL McCUE, Cmdr. in U. S. Navy, recently returned from Ville France, on the French Riviera, where he was intelligence officer with the 6th Fleet, the site being the home port of the Fleet's Flagship, the SS Springfield. Hartsel has been transferred to Fleet Intelligence at Port Lyautey and has been selected for the rank of Navy Captain.

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Potomac State Grads Co-Chairmen Of Fund-Raising Campaign at A.B.L.



Harold Wimer

Two Potomac State College graduates are serving as co-chairmen of the fund-raising drive for the Alumni Foundation at Allegany Ballistics Laboratory of the Hercules Powder Company.

Spearheading the drive are Joseph W. Kessel, '48, a member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association and Foundation, and Harold Wimer, '58, both of Keyser.

Kessel is a training assistant the training division of the Security and Personnel Department, and Wimer was a technical writer with the Reliability Department prior to his recent transfer to the Her-

Engagements

SALLY ANN CHONOSKI, '6'.
Pittsburgh, Pa. to Glenn Dickinson
Thomas, Crafton, Pa.

LEON EVERETT COX, '58, Philippi, W. Va .to Carol Sue Reed, Elkins, W. Va.

REBECCA L. BESS, '61, Piedmont, W. Va., to James E. Kenny Jr., Westernport, Md.

ROBERT W. PENDERGAST, '59, to Nancy Taylor, Keyser, W. Ve

ELIZABETH ANN SUTER, '60, Piedmont, W. Va. to Harold Davies, Monongahela, Pa.

JOHN J. MERTZ, '57, Westernport, Md. to Mary Ann Meyers, Midland, Md.

RICHARD L. DAVIDSON, '61, Keyser, to Dorothy Doolan, Lonaconing, Md.

JOHN F. WORKMEISTER, '60, LaVale, Mdi., to Judith Ann Reuse, LaVale, Md.

LINDA L. PEARSON, '61, Parkersburg, W. Va., to KENNETH S. DALLY, '61, Pittsburgh, Pa.



Joseph Kessel

cules plant at Kenvil, N. J.

Letters explaining the procedure for contributions on a matching basis were mailed out to approximately 125 alumni employed by the firm pointing out the advantages of contributing under the Hercules Aid-to-Education Program. The company will match dollar for dollar up to \$1,000 on any contribution to an educational institution.

Assisting the co-chairmen with the preparation of the campaign were William Stewart, Donald Grayson, and Douglas Dixon.

Sympathies To:

CARL F. DAVIS, '51, on death of his father.

W. PORTER LILLER, '15, on death of his wife, Gladys Bodycombe Liller, on Nov. 1, 1962.

ETHEL (TOMER) COX, '38, on death of her husband, Thomas, on Jan. 10.

HUGH L. DRAKE, '38, BER-NARD DRAKE, '33, and Mrs. VIR-GINIA (JOHNS) SANDBURG, '39, on the death of their father and uncle, Wilford E. Drake.

JAMES R. MANCUSO, '61, on death of his mother on Jan. 26.

ANDREA GRADY, '59, on death of her father on Jan. 18.

Mrs. RAYMOND SHROYER (MARY PRICE, '40), Baltimore, Md., on death of her daughter, March 3.

ROBERT W. NILAND, '56, JOHN and JANET PURDY, and JOHN PURDY JR., on death of Lenore Sue (Purdy) Niland on March 20.

CLYDE GARDNER, '26, KATH-ERINE GARDNER NEY, '31, on death of their mother.

WILLIAM E. COFFMAN, '47, on death of his father.

Weddings

THOMAS F. PENDERGAST, '51, St. Louis, to Karen Sue Wheeler, Winnsboro, Texas, Feb. 14, 1963.

PATRICIA MATHIAS, '61, Moorefield, W. Va., to ROBERT GRAFTON, '61, Moorefield, Jan. 27, 1963.

ARNETTE C. THOMAS, '62, Cowen, W. Va., to RONALD L. SANDERS, '57, Ridgeley, Dec. 7, 1962.

AGNES M. DAYTON, '60, Keyser, to ROBERT A. GOSNELL, '60, Braddock Heights, Md., April 14, 1963.

JUDITH EDWARDS, '62, Keyser, to Melvin Evans, Keyser, March 30.

CAROLYN I. FINDLAY, '57, Cumberland, Md., to Millard A. Noack, Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.

WVU President Will Give Address To '63 Graduates

Dr. Paul A. Miller, president of West Virginia University, will deliver the address to the Class of 1963 at the 60th annual commencement exercises in the Potomac State College Gymnasium, Friday morning, May 31, at 10:30 a.m.

Dean K. S. McKee announced recently that there are 141 tentative graduates in this year's class, one of the largest in years.

The annual sermon to the graduates will be delivered by Dr. Raymond E. Dronsfield, pastor of the Overbrook Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Ohio. This service is scheduled for Thursday evening, May 30, at 8 p.m. in the college gymnasium.

PSC Is Featured In Publication

Those receiving bills last month from the Chesapeake and Potomac Tellephone Company noted that the company's publication, the West Virginia Call, which is inserted with the bills, included a feature write-up on Potomac State College.

The story and photos were supplied by Dr. Elizabeth A. Atwater, director of public relations for the college, and included pictures of the Library and Friend Hall, the new dormitory for women to open in September.

Alumni Notes

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'41—THOMAS G. POWNALL is one of four new vice presidents of Martin Co., a division of Martin Marietta Corporation. Pownall will be vice president for sales and requirements on the Friendship International Airport, Baltimore, Md., executive staff. '42—R. DUANE POST, formerly of Clarksburg, has been transferred to Cleveland, Ohio, where he is working for the Con-Gas-Service Corporation. The Post family is

living in Bedford, Ohio.

'44—Mrs. WILL GORTNER (RENA HEARE), St. Petersburg,
Fla., recently appeared in the
T.V. program, "Route 66." Her
husband and daughter also had
bit parts in the same production.

'50—Dr. ROBERT BESS JR., Piedmont, W. Va. was elected president of the Tri-Towns Community Council recently.

'50—ROBERT CALLIS, Assistant Manager of the Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C. appeared in the picture, "Advise and Consent," portions of which were filmed at the Sheraton Park.

'51—Dr. LAWRENCE FANTI, Piedmont, W. Va., was recently elected president of the Piedmont Rotary Club.

'52—Capt. and Mrs. ROBERT CAMPBELL (MARGARET BESS), formerly of Piedmont, W. Va., are at the Army Chemical Center near Baltimore. Md.

'56-CHARLES M. CARDARO. Field Engineer with the "Martin Co." assigned to the Titan (ICBM) missile program, recently moved from Denver, Colo, to Little Rock, Ark. He is instructing Air Force (SAC) Combat Crews in the operation of the Titan weapon system. Prior to being assigned as a field engineer to train Air Force personnel, Chuck worked in Research and Development program at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., Cape Canaveral, Fla., and at White Sands Proving Grounds, N. M.

'56—JOSEPH H. ELLIOTT has been named industrial power sales representative for the Potomac Light and Power Co., Keyser.

'57-Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM LUD-WICK (MARY LIPSCOMB), who

Coach Lough and Many Of His 'Boys' Honored As West Va. Sports Greats

Many former, Potomac State College students, coaches, as well as other well-known sports figures from the Keyser area, were among those honored in Charleston on April 6 as "West Virginia's Sports Greats."

A total of 1,963 individuals were selected from the 55 counties of the state for the recognition as part of a special project planned by the Lions Clubs in conjunction with the West Virginia Centennial celebration.

Among those selected from Mineral County were:

COACHES—Dana G. Lough, Frederick T. Clark, William A. Miers Jr., Paul J. Davis, Arthur Slocum Sr., Paul Kalbaugh, and George Parrish.

TRAPSHOOTERS—Edgar H. MacDonald, Margaret "Bunny" Sanders, and John Sanders.

BASKETBALL PLAYERS—Dyke Shaffer, Kenneth Stanhagen, Carl Hartman.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS — Lloyd Lyons, Ray "Cotton" Mills, John Paul Lindsay, Joseph Moss, John Lookabaugh, and William Brehany.

BASEBALL PLAYERS—Joseph Corbacio, Charles W. Farley, Philmore Fleming, J. Hubert Radcliffe.

YOUTH WORK—Russell L. Bishop for his many facets of work with the young people of the Keyser area.

Harold C. Effland, '47, who is editor of the Mineral Daily News-Tribune in Keyser, was chairman of the Mineral County event.

Many others have been recogniz-

have been living in Seattle, Wash., will leave this month for Tokyo, Japan, where he will be employed in government work.

'58—CAROL J. MILLS, Keyser, has joined the Agency for International Development, U. S. State Department, and will have duty in Vientiane, Laos, following orientation in Washington.

'58—DAVID SATTERFIELD recently joined Ketchum, Mac-Leaod and Grove, Inc., Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, as a public relations account executive. Prior to this, he had headed internal communications at Union Carbide Chemical Company's South Charleston plant. ed by other counties in the state. Among them are: John Allen, Neal Baisi, Albert Baisi, George Baird, Richard Harmison, Allen Swick, Homer Fizer, R. H. Boggs, C. D. Harper, R. Hugh Hedrick, Edwin Wimer Jr., George Walley, Kenneth Sims.

Alumni Assuming Important Roles In Centennial



Joe Stanislawczyk

Several graduates of Potomac State College are playing prominent roles in the staging of the West Virginia Centennial programs to be sponsored in Mineral County this summer.

General chairman of the county event is Joseph Stanislawczyk, '48, instructor and coach at Keyser High School, and Edwin Jordan, '32, who has been appointed co-chairman.

Coordinators of the centennial revue in August will be Thomas J. Conlon, '48, president of the Alumni Association, and Mrs. Mary Evelyn Coffman, '36, director of alumni affairs. Musical portions of the presentation will garner the talents of Mrs. Coffman, Mrs. Clara (Spotts) Kauffman, '41, and Mrs. E. E. Church, wife of the college president.

Obituaries

'07—Mrs. Lee B. OTT, (ISA-BELLE MARIA ISLES), died Feb. 6, 1963, at her home in Terra Alta, W. Va.

'30—NORMAN OCHS died March 8 in Dallas, Texas. He and his wife had resided in Colonial Heights, Va.

'48—ALSTON L. STREETS, 36, died Feb. 8 in George Washington University Hospital, Washington, D. C. He had resided in Hartmansville, W. Va.

Alumni Notes

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'58—REBECCA (GREEN) WILD-MAN has been named an assistant instructor for the coming school term at West Virginia University, while working towards her Master's Degree in Mathematics.

'58—PAUL L. COOK has been awarded a fellowship to study biological sciences at WVU for the 1963-64 academic year. The fellowship is sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

'58—RUDY R. SITES has accepted a position as pharmacist at Peoples Pharmacy, Keyser. Prior to this, he had been employed for two years in Wheeling, W. Va.

'59—ROBERT D. COLEMAN was graduated in January from Louisiana State University with a degree in electrical engineering. He is now employed by Westinghouse in Baltimore.

259—DARIUS N. BRANT has been appointed an instructor in aero-space engineering at WVU. Before accepting the teaching position, he was a Polaris evaluation engineer at Allegany Ballistics Laboratory.

60—RICHARD J. SUMMERS, was graduated in January from Louisiana State University with a degree in electrical engineering. He is employed with Westinghouse in Pittsburgh, Pa.

'60—LAKE R. SLACUM JR., recent graduate of Louisiana State University with a degree in electrical engineering is employed by Westinghouse in Pittsburgh, Pa.

C61—LOIS MILTENBERGER, of Ridgeley, W. Va., recently joined the laboratory staff of Memorial Hospital, Cumberlandl, Md., as a medical technologist. Registered with the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, she trained at the Washington Co. Hospital, Hagerstown, where she was employed before this assignment.

62—PAULA POORBAUGH, School of Journalism, WVU, Morgantown, was recently appointed Business Manager on the staff of the Daily Athenaeum, student newspaper at the university.

'62—Mrs. RONALD L. SANDERS (ARNETTE THOMAS) is employed at the West Virginia Medical Center, Morgantown, W. Va.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN LUPIS (LINDA STANHAGEN), '57, Ely, Minnesota, a son, Jan. 16, 1963.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Luemper (JEAN SMITH), '50, Clarklake, Michigan, a daughter, November, 1962.

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN B. DETER-MAN JR., '40, Tinley Park, Ill., a son, Jan. 18, 1963.

Mr. and Mrs. JAMES H. DET-ERMAN, '50, Glen Burnie, Md., a son, Jan. 17, 1963.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hovermale (BARBARA FRITCHIE HAN-SHEW, '61) Shepherdstown, W. Va., a son, Jan. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES BOL-YARD, '35, Keyser, a daughter, April 5.

Mr. and Mrs. LYNN NELSON (JANE ROGERS), '60, a son, April 13

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Taylor (ANNA MAE LUDWICK), '42, Keyser, a daughter, March 27.

Second Lt. and Mrs. WILLIAM K. ALT, '57, Edgewood, Md., a daughter, Feb. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. RALPH E. RICE, '59, a son, March 25.

Mr. and Mrs. RANDOLPH L. PIFER, '60, Morgantown, a son, April 5.

Dr. and Mrs. AARON H. WIL-SON JR., (YVONNE MILLER), '57, Rantoul, Ill., a daughter, April 9.

Mr. and Mrs. MARK WENZEL, '60, Jackson, Miss., a daughter, April 4.

Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS M. GING-ERICH (COLLEEN DAVIS) '60, Cumberland, Md., a daughter,

National Guard Armory Dedicated; Named for Medal of Honor Winner



Sgt. J. Edward Kelley

Keyser's new National Guard Armory was formally dedicated in special ceremonies on Monday, March 25, and named Kelley Armory in memory of a Keyser youth and former Potomac State student, S/Sgt. Jonah Edward Kelley, who was killed during Worlld War II and was later awarded the Congressional Medial of Honor posthumously.

Potomac State College furnished the site for the building and ap proximately \$220,000 was appropriated from Congressional and State Armory Board funds to initiate

April 6.

Mr. and Mrs. LARRY T. GRE-CO, '49, Westernport, Md., a daughter, March 6.

Mr. and Mrs. STUART DURST, '56, Keyser, a daughter, April 18. Mr. and Mrs. FRANK ARNOLD, '58, Alexandria, Va., a son, March

Capt. and Mrs. JACK R. WIL-SON II (DELORES MIERS), '55, Goeppinger, Germany, a daughter, April 18.

Atty. and Mrs. C. REEVES TAY-LOR, '54, Keyser, a son, April 27. construction of the Armory in the fall of 1959. Work began in the spring of 1960 and the building was ready for occupancy early in 1961.

Kelley Armory serves as headquarters for Battery C, First Howitzer Battalion, 201st Artillery. Additional funds were given by PSC to enable facilities to be included which serve as headquarters for the college ROTC unit.

The son of Mrs. Jonah E. Kelley, Keyser, the 21-year-old infantryman brought national recognition on himself, his family, and his community when he gave his life in January 1945 while, though twice wounded, he led the assault squadron of Company E, 311th Regiment in spearheading the Lightning Division's advance into Kesternich, Germany.

'Centennial Day' Held on Campus

Potomac State's official centennial program took place on Friday, May 3, when James Comstock, editor of the Richwood News-Leader and the West Virginia Hillbilly, spoke at a special convocation on the campus.

A highlight of the program was presentation of the West Virginia state flag to the college on behalf of the freshman class by William Chidester, president, and Charles Homan, Commander of the Roth Honorary Military Society. The ROTC Color Guard hoisted the flag for the first time while the Cadet Band played the Alma Mater.

Alumni Game and Football Clinic Part of May Day

Many alumni returned to their Alma Mater on Saturday, May 11, to take part in the many activities held in conjunction with May Day which this year took on a colorful centennial theme.

Miss Margaret Rafter, head of the women's physical education department, planned the pageant entitled "The Mountain State."

President E. E. Church crowned the May Queen, Miss Carol Machamer, of Keyser, in the presence of her escort, Scott Bosley, also of Keyser, a royal court of college students and an honorary court comprised of high school representatives. The Student Council sponsored the May Queen's Ball that night in the gymnasium.

Planned as part of the day's events this year were a football clinic for coaches and officials, a baseball game between the Catamounts and Trenton College (N.J.) which the local team won 11-1.

In the afternoon the Catamount football team, as part of its spring training, met an alumni team coached by Joe Stanislawczyk in an exhibition game. Coach Lough's charges emerged the victors in a 12-6 match. Playing for the alumni were: Pete Ladygo, James Fazzalore, James Thompson, John Scott, Bob Connolly, Jack Halterman, Jack Booth, Rudy Telek, Paul Emery, Lou Bonato, Tom Harman, "Hank" Cleary, Lou Dinicola.

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